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CONSTIPATION

It is surprising how many people there are who allow themselves to become and remain constipated. They apparently do not know that this condition poisons the entire system. Not immediately of course, but after a little time as the poisonous impurities accumulate they attack the vital organs and undermine the constitution. As a result, the victim becomes pale, hollow-eyed and sallow, the breath is foul, the head aches frequently, the strength slowly declines and the once strong, active body becomes weak and nervous.

Prickly Ash Bitters

is a cleansing tonic and restorative just suited to such conditions. It is a genial stimulant for the stomach, liver and bowels, purifies the system thoroughly and invigorates the kidneys, conveying strength and new life to the whole internal organism. Under its marvelous reviving influence there is at once a brightening up in body and brain, renewed energy, strength, vim and cheerfulness.

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TO VOTE ON PROHIBITION.

lection Ordered In Coryell County for June 7.

Gatesville, Texas, May 16—The Commissioners' Court of this ounty ordered a local option election for this county yesterday pon a petition filed signed by bout 500 property holders. The ate fixed by the court for the lection is June 7th.

All kinds of spices at Cebe Houston's. tf

Homer Wilson's New Church.

San Antonio, May 17.—A contract has been let for the building of a Christian church on Camden street, the contract price being $24,000.

Rev. Homer T. Wilson is pastor of the church and the money to erect the building has been raised by him since he took charge of this congregation, a few months ago.

It will be one of the handsomest churches in San Antonio.

TO OUR READERS.

Our printers are out. Kindly bear with us until we get help. See circular elsewhere.

Entertained.

Miss Tennie Frost entertained Wednesday evening at the home of her father, C. C. Frost, on East Standifer street in honor of L. J. Merritt who had been attending the McKinney Business College for some time. He received his diploma and bid his many friends goodbye Wednesday night and left for his future home in Sherman.

Those present were as follows: Homer Coffey, Miss Lela Holder, Wallace Wilson, Miss Kattie Holder, Marshall Padgett, Miss Pearl Westmoreland, Green Rabun, Miss Minnie Chambers, George Milligan, Miss Elmer of Fort Worth, Mr. Cooner, Miss Ida Glenn, Jack Chambers, Miss Myrtle Shipley, L. J. Merritt, Tom Dorsey, Mr. Smith, Misses Mamie Wilson, Emma Yerger, Bell Matthews, Pearl Rice and Miss Perry, Mrs. J. N. Grisham, Mrs. T. M. Hinsley.

During the wind and rain storm Thursday lightning struck the long distance telephone wires burning the lightning arrester and forty fuse on test board. Parts of the cast iron braces and other hard metal on the board were melted, and had it not been for the quick work of Manager Jim McLemore more damage would have been done. All the long distance wires are burned out but will be ready for use late this afternoon.

A STATEMENT.

To Our Patrons and the Public Generally.

The newspapers of the city are now having some trouble with their employes, and as a consequence the Daily Courier and the Daily Gazette will not be issued as usual until further arrangements. We will issue the weekly papers, however.

The printers are out and our side of the question is as follows:

A few days since the printers of McKinney organized a "union" and having secured the signature of every printer (except one) in the city, a committee was appointed to wait upon us and request us to "put on" the union or "unionize" our offices.

The requirements of this "union" are briefly as follows:

1. That we employ none but members of the McKinney printers' union.

2. That we delegate the employment of the printers of the various newpapers offices to this union or to the "foreman" of the mechanical department.

3. That we allow the union to make their own scale of wages.

The above three articles give the matter in a "nut shell."

The first we declined to grant, because,—

(a) There is one printer in the city who did not desire to join the union. He chose to stand on his own merits, and deal directly with his employers. Under the conditions of the union his discharge would have been necessary.

(b) The proposition that we turn the manner of employing our printers over to some one not directly and financially interested in our business is unfair to us, impracticable, and we think unwise.

(c) The proposition that we allow these men and boys to set a scale of wages for themselves is simply "out of harmony with local conditions." No matter how well it works in other and larger cities, in this town our business is so limited that we necessarily have to get the best work we can at lowest wages at which a man is willing to work. One may be able and glad to get this work, because of his surroundings, at a lower figure than some other printer who has to pay house rent or board.

Every office in town is paying the highest wages possible and several of the printers have been steadily advanced since they began work, a move dictated by the employers' appreciation of their merits and also by our feeling of ability, at the time, to do so. A number of the leaders in the trouble in McKinney have during the past year drawn higher salaries and got their money more promptly than for many months before.

Up to the time of the organization of the union, everything was working smoothly, and if there was any complaint at the wages paid or the mode of employing printers, we had not heard it. No printer came to us and asked that his wages be raised on his MERITS.

When we declined to accede to their demands of raising the scale of wages and shorter hours and other requirements, they informed us that they would put same in full force and effect on June 1st, 1902. We knew that our business would not justify this increase of expense on June 1st, we now having a struggle to meet current expenses, hence the crisis being forced on us we preferred to suspend our business at once until we are able to re-organize our working forces.

We deplore this condition for we well know the struggles of both proprietors and employes in this and other towns. The machine has displaced laborers everywhere and positions are hard to find. We prefer to work "home" printers and no one is barred from our office who belongs to the "union" and never has been.

We deem it unnecessary to dwell further on this matter, believing that a justice loving public will sustain us in every particular in the course we have taken. Hoping that the reading public will pardon us for not preparing for them our daily grind of local items, and that the business men and merchants will reserve their orders for us until we can re-organize our business, we are

Very truly &c.,
THOMPSON & ERWIN,
Propr's Examiner.
TOM W. PERKINS,
Prop. Daily and Weekly Gazette.
WALTER B. WILSON,
Business Mgr. Daily Courier.
F. C. THOMPSON,
Editor Democrat.

ROWLETT CREEK CEMETERY

The Annual Decoration Exercises Held There Yesterday—Big Crowds Attended—Some Good Lpeaking.

The annual decoration exercises took place yesterday at the Rowlet Creek cemetery in the presence of over 1000 people. Hon. Geo. P. Brown, Hon. J. R. Gough, Dr. E. E. King, J. M. Wilcox of McKinney, and Capt. W. N. Bush of Allen delivered excellent addresses.

The Rowlett creek cemetery is one of the oldest and most beautiful in the county. Today relatives and friends laid garlands of flowers on the graves of loved ones departed. The Cemetery association is in splendid condition. At present it has over $400 in the treasury. The old officers were re-elected, the following being a partial list:

C. M. Christie, Pres.; R. W. Yeager, V. Pres.; J. W. Witt, Sec'y.; Abe Smith, Treas.—Courier.

The picnic held at the old ford on Wilson's Creek yesterday under the auspices of the Epworth League was a success in every respect. The lowering clouds and mutterings of distant thunder kept several of the members from venturing out. But just before the noon hour the clouds broke away and the sun burst fourth in all his glory, flooding hill and dale with a sheen of gold. The gentle breezes ladened with the perfumes of wild flowers, blended with the melodies of the song birds floating out from the deep dark woods made it a typical May day.

The merry picnicers reached the place selected about 10 a. m. Formality was discarded and everyone partook of the happy freedom of the merry school boy. Many innocent games were participated in and many "snap shots" from the camera were indulged in and many of the young ladies proved themselves marksmen with the target before the day was over.

At noon a sumptuous dinner was spread, showing conclusively that the young ladies could efficiently perform in the kitchen, preparing cakes, as well as entertain. At 6:30 supper was served. Then all the girls in their big hats and League colors were assembled and carefully loaded into the wagons and were driven home as the stars came out, all very much fatigued but highly gratified by their day's outing.

Buy your groceries from Cebe Houston. tf

IN THE BRAZOS BOTTOM

The City Editor and Wife Heard From.

ARE BUILDING RAILROADS

Good Crop Prospects in Brazos Bottom—Effects of Flood Still Felt.

Mumford, Tex., May 13.—We left Dallas at 8:30 Friday night. The Conference only held morning sessions from 9 to 1 p. m., and as there was no service at night that we cared to attend, we took in the city that afternoon, and caught the next train for Hearne, reaching there at 2 a. m.

We arrived at Mumford Saturday morning at 8:30, and took the folks on surprise as they were not looking for us until in the afternoon.

The crop prospects here and all along down the road are good. I never saw them finer in Brazos bottom. Corn is about made; will require only one more working. It is in tassel and will soon be in silk. Oats and alfalfa are good There seems to be a feeling of confidence among the farmers and merchants, and they have more hopes of making something than at any time since the flood, though the boll weavil is reported to have already made its appearance. Dry weather is what they need, with just enough rain for seasons. It will take several years yet for the country to recover from the effects of the flood. We spent yesterday morning on the river; the scenery is fine.

The Hearne and Brazos Valley railroad has been surveyed south to Brenham in Washington county, and a large force of workmen are camped at Stone City, on the banks of the Brazos, the present terminus, and the work of extension will be rapidly pushed. The Calvert, Waco and Brazos Valley road also runs through Mumford. It is now owned by the I. & G. N. and was recently extended to Houston, paralleling the H. & T. C. almost the entire distance from Bryan. The first trains from Waco to Houston were run the first of this month. This road has a superior roadbed and equipments and makes fast time. It has sapped the H. & B. V., paralleling it from Hearne to Mumford, until the latter has been forced to extension. The C. W. & B. V. is being extended to Fort Worth from Waco.

A handsome new union depot now stands where the old Junction house was burned in Hearne. Mumford, a little village of only three or four stores, has an elegant depot, that McKinney would be proud to have.

We will stay here this week and go to Waco the first part of next.

J. FRANK SMITH.

Dogs made a raid Thursday on Armp Hill's chickens at his home in West McKinney and killed several. As a result Armp wishes to give fair warning to all, that he has vowed vengeance on the entire canine breed when, hereafter, they wander around his premises. He is "loaded" and "laying" for them. In this he is endorsed by his neighbors and town at large. Jas. Herndon also brought his gun into play on a festive gang prowling around his place last night. Much complaint is heard from every part of town recently from the same cause. Owners should keep their dogs on their own premises or have them killed. The nuisance must stop and Marshal Burks will help stop it. Strange dogs wandering through city or country are a menace to public safety. Hydrophobia is too horrible a thing to risk and is nearly always caused, when it does occur, from the bite of a wandering dog.

Our coffee, sugar and syrups are the best. Call and see.
tf Cebe Houston.

MAY 15 TO JUNE 1

We Will a Feast of Bargains Unfold,

The least of which will put the blush of shame to the cheeks of those whom we have long since outstripped in the dry goods business.

All our 6 and 7c standard calicos and Scotch lawns only..... **4c**

All our 20 and 25c gingham tissues, batistes and lawns will be stacked out at yard..... **13c**

All our 65 and 75c, 27-inch Japanese wash silks, China silks and taffeta, your choice, yard..... **45c**

1000 yards of Fruit of the Loom and Hope Lonsdale muslin will go in this sale at yard..... **6 1/2**

Embroideries, laces allovers, galoons and all trimmings will go at 20 per cent reduction..... **1-5 OFF**

BIG STOCK MILLINERY.

Including many new novelties for midsummer will be sold during the sale regardless of former prices.

All our men's and boys' clothing and odd pants are being marked down especially for this sale.

Big line men's and boys' fine madras and percale shirts—collars attached, or 2 collars separate, that was bought to sell at 75c, going this sale at..... **50c**

Our $1.25 men's union made California Sweet Orr overalls until June 1st at..... **1 00**

Men's fine $2.50 Elk Brand hats, every hat guaranteed, go on sale at $2.00, $2.00 hats for $1.65, $1.25 hats.. **95c**

Big line men's and boys' sample straw hats bought by us at 50c on the dollar are now on sale at..... **HALF PRICE**

Our $4000 stock of Men's, women and children's shoes and slippers go during the sale at..... **SLAUGHTERED PRICES**

20 PER CENT Reduction on Ladies' Muslin Underwear. Shirtwaists and Taffeta Silk Skirts.

W. S. KNIGHT

SOUTH SIDE SQUARE, McKINNEY, TEXAS.

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THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1902.

Lewis Nixon has resigned the leadership of Tammany.

Too many people continue to chase after the bird in the brush.

From every part of the county comes the rallying cry that law must be obeyed.

The moral tone of a newspaper should be considered in placing an advertisement there.

Anarchy thrives just in proportion that it is defended or excused. Who will be responsible for the result?

Richard Croker, the ex-Tammany chieftain, paid $800 for a seat to view the coronation parade in London.

Some of the strongest denunciations of local option violation that have been heard are being uttered every day on the streets of McKinney by some men who were in the saloon business before local option went into effect. Enforcement of the law is in the air. Anti and pro alike demand it.

Mayor Seth Low refused to receive ex-Champion John L. Sulivan, who called on him. The champion has either fallen very low or Mr. Low does not intend to run again. There was a time in this country when any Mayor of a large city, desiring to be elected to a second term, would have been glad to shake the hand of the "champeen."

The Courier has been criticised regarding the report of the examining trial of Dr. R. D. Long in the justice court of last Wednesday morning. It is held that the report was unfair inasmuch as it made reference to the fact that the state's attorney read the law bearing on the case and quoted higher court decisions, and then failed to state that the defendant's attorney read the law and quoted rebuttal court decisions. In regard to this feature of the report we desire to state that the writer of the report was not present during the reading and argument of opposing counsel and did not thereby grasp the nature of the defense made by the defendant's attorney. We did hear Mr. Hughston's reading and commenting on the case and only referred to it that the public might know the state's attorney's position in the matter without the least intention to discredit the position of the defendant's counsel which we would have freely given if we had been in possession of the facts as the article was rushed to press. We submit to the public that the article in question is decidedly more conservative and fair than the intemperate criticism being indulged in, part of which has authentically reached us. — The Courier.

We regret to hear that Walter Wallis of Wallis Chapel who has been attending the Sam Houston Normal at Huntsville had to return home on account of being seriously sick.

So Tired

It may be from overwork, but the chances are its from an inactive LIVER.

With a well conducted LIVER one can do mountains of labor without fatigue.

It adds a hundred per cent to ones earning capacity.

It can be kept in healthful action by, and only by

Tutt's Pills

TAKE NO SUBSTITUTE.

That Tired Feeling

Is a Common Spring Trouble.

It's a sign that the blood is deficient in vitality, just as pimples and other eruptions are signs that the blood is impure.

It's a warning, too, which only the hazardous fail to heed.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Remove it, give new life, new courage, strength and animation.

They cleanse the blood and clear the complexion.

Accept no substitute.

"I felt tired all the time and could not sleep. After taking Hood's Sarsaparilla a while I could sleep well and the tired feeling had gone. This great medicine has also cured me of scrofula." MRS. C. M. ROOT, Gilead, Conn.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keeps the promise.

THE J. T. ANDREWS CASE.

J. T. Andrews, as seen in another column, agrees with the city officials "that he will close up and lock his saloon located near the southeast corner of the public square, and that he would never so long as prohibition existed in the city of McKinney or Collin county, set up such another business, nor violate the prohibition law in any way, nor be concerned in violation of such law."

We certainly think the sentiment expressed by Mr. Andrews is worthy of a law abiding citizen and that if others will follow his splendid example that we will then have a town where transient people cannot always be saying, "Oh you can buy whiskey here at any time you want it."

The officials concerned are also to be congratulated for their zeal and fidelity to public trust manifested. Recorder Bowlby and City Attorney Will Abernathy will have the hearty commendation and endorsement of every law abiding citizen in their course in this case.

DESERT.

Desert, May 16.-Mrs. Una Potts of Bonham is visiting relatives here.

Burse Butler and Miss Nettie Mangrum were married at Trenton yesterday at 4 o'clock.

Miss Maud Caraway from near Whitewright visited Oliver Lance and wife yesterday.

We are making preparation for the children's day to be given the fourth Sunday in June at Cross Roads.

Mrs. Charlie Blackwood is sick at this writing.

There has been a good shower here since the last writing.

Rev. Davis of Pilot Grove preached at Mt. Carmel yeterday evening.

Several that came to the reunion from the old states are visiting relatives here.

Rev. P. M. Lanxiter of Bowie is on a preaching tour through this part of the county now.

P. H. Bateman of Melissa, Jerome Sneed of McKinney and Rev. Dickey of Plano were in Sherman today on their way to Springfield, Mo., as delegates to the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church.—Sherman Register.

Jim Teague plead guilty last Thursday to selling liquor to a minor and was fined $25 and cost—all amounting to $49.55. Teague lives at Knox in northeast Collin where he was arrested yesterday by Chief Warden.

Several cases for gaming, carrying pistol and for assault were filed Thursday.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

J. M. Giles and Mrs. S. E. Robertson.

Paschal Bomar and Miss Cora Bales.

WEDDING.

Paschal Bomar and Miss Cora Bales were married last Thursday in the county clerk's office by Rev. F. A. Rosser. Both contracting parties live about 5 miles east of town.

Before selling your farm produce see Cebe Houston. tf

E. W. Grove

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day

ADM'L. SAMPSON FUNERAL

As Described by McKinney Boy Who Attended.

LETTER FROM JOHN DOWELL

Visit to Washington Where He Met Dud Perkins—Of Interest to McKinney Friends.

The following extracts are taken from a letter dated May 10th from Cadet J. S. Dowell Jr., who represents this congressional district in the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. It was written next day after the funeral of Admiral Sampson which John attended.

"We went to Washington in full force yesterday. We left Annapolis at ebout 7 a m. and arrived in Washington less than two hours later. The batallion was formed at the Pennsylvania depot, Washington, and marched from there to Sampson's residence. From the residence we escorted the hearse to the church where the funeral services were held. Admiral Dewey and many other high naval officers were at Sampson's home and attended the funeral. President Roosevelt and many others of the president's cabinet, foreign ministers and other leading men of the nation attended the funeral.

The funeral procession was a great thing. Following the hearse was Sampson's family and relatives in carriages. Then came a detachment of artillery; the batallion of naval cadets; two batallions of jackies from the Alabama and Olympia; several companies of marines, etc. As the procession passed over the Patomac river going to Arlington cemetery, minute guns were fired.

After the services at the grave were over, we marched to the nearest trolley station and rode on the trolley back to the city. We passed within 160 yards of Washington's great monument. Of course I saw the U. S. capitol again, etc. But the best thing of the whole trip was, I had a long talk with Dudley Perkins. I never was so surprised to see anybody in all my life, and could not believe my eyes until I got a chance to speak to Dud who was looking for me. Dud is having a big time sight seeing. He said he was coming over to see me at the academy, but as he saw me in Washington he would not take the time to come to Annapolis. After talking to Dud yesterday I feel as if I had been in McKinney myself again. Dud ate dinner with us at the National hotel. Dud says Fred Heard is at Princeton University and Lawrence Rhea is at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore. He is going to visit them both. Lawrence Rhea intends to go to Europe this summer, so Dud says."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surface of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c,
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Giles- Robertson.

J. M. Giles and Mrs S. E. Robertson of the Rhea Mill community were quitely married Thursday at the home of Rev. R. R. Hamlin who officiated. Both are well known in their community. The Courier extends congratulations.

Stops That Cough and Works Off Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. Cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents.

G. W. Odil called yesterday and had his paper changed from Culleoka to Farmersville route 4.

CASTORIA.
bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

PAIN IN THE BACK.

A Sure Sign of Kidney Trouble. Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy will cure you.

Pain in the back is a never failing sign of kidney disease; another sure sign is the condition of the urine; if you have a pain in the back then look to the condition of your urine. Take a glass tumbler and fill it with urine; after it has stood 24 hours, if it has a sediment, if it is milky or cloudy, pale or discolored, stringy or ropy, your kidneys and bladder are in a dangerous condition and need immediate attention, or the consequences may prove fatal.

F. C. Wilcox of 559 New Britain ave., Hartford, Conn., says:

"I had a frightful pain in my back, the result of kidney trouble. My physician seemed powerless to relieve me. I determined to try Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy; it helped me wonderfully, and in a short time cured me completely."

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the one medicine that really cures all diseases or the kidneys, liver, bladder and blood, rheumatism, dyspepsia and chronic constipation. It is wonderful how it makes that pain in the back disappear, how it relieves the desire to urinate often, especially at night, and drives away that scalding pain in passing water and makes you well and strong.

It is for sale by all druggists in the **New 50 Cent Size** and the regular $1.00 size bottles—less than a cent a dose.

Sample bottle—enough for trial, free by mail.
Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N.Y.

Dr. David Kennedy's Rose Jelly radical cure Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in Head. 50c.

LAW AND ORDER CLUB

Citizens Confer at Y. M. C. A. Hall.

MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY

Public Sentiment and Law Both Against Those Who Would Violate Local Option.

Pursuant to call of president J. L. Franklin, the Law and Order club held a meeting Wednesday in the Y. M. C. A. hall which was well attended. The object of the club is to aid in every way it can the enforcement of law—the local option law in particular, and to render assistance to officers and officials in discharging their duty. Some of the county officials were present and exchanged ideas with the club. Several addresses were made, all concurring in the opinion that local option can be enforced with the proper effort on the part of officers backed by a determined public sentiment behind them. Every member is pleased with the good results so far obtained in rendering local option effective throughout Collin county. A committee composed of Capt. J. L. Greer, Mate Barnett, G. E. Felton and J. A. Rogers was appointed to arrange for a mass meeting of all citizens at the court house who are in favor of upholding the majesty of the law and supremacy of the great majority of the people as expressed at the ballot box.

News of the Courts.

There were eleven pleas of guilty in the County court Monday to gaming, and a fine of $10 and costs was assessed against each offender.

Clark Aiken plead guilty to a charge of assault and battery and was fined $5.00 and costs.

Frasier Sims plead guilty to theft and to carrying a pistol. For the first offense he was sentenced to ten days in jail, and for the second was fined $25.

Henry Jourdon was tried Tuesday for violating the local option law in precinct No. 2 and was fined $25 and sentenced to 20 days in jail. He plead guilty yesterday to a similar charge and a like punishment was assessed against him.

Pleas of guilty to violating the local option law were entered in two cases each by John King, Will Thompson and Gene Duncan, and a fine of $25 and 20 days in jail was assessed in each case.

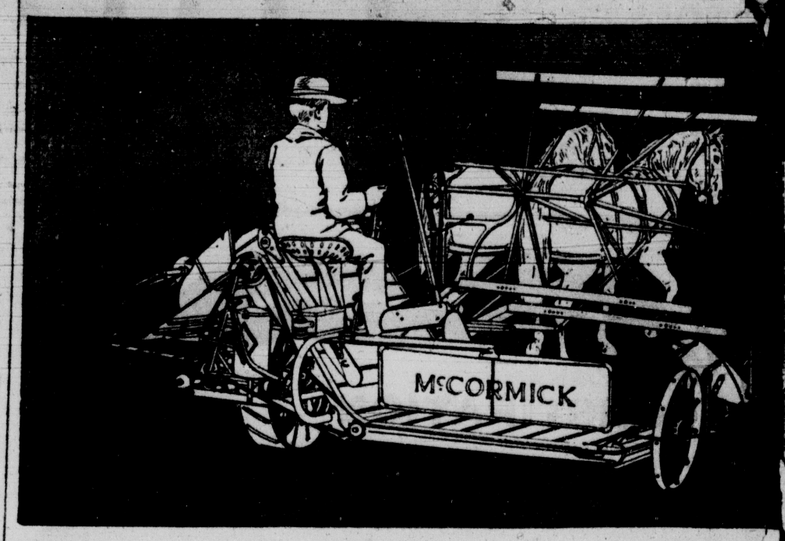
Dave Wilcoxson plead guilty in one case and a similar fine and imprisonment was assessed.

COMMISRIONERS' COURT.

The court Tuesday ordered an election in school district No. 28 to determine whether the special school tax in that district should be continued. The commissioners went to New Celina yesterday with a view to having some new roads opened.

T. J. CLOYD

—DEALER IN—



Riding and Walking Cultivator

Harrows, Corn and Cotton Planters, Disc Harrows with Drill attachment. McCormick Binders (right or left hand), Mowers, Rakes, "Old Hickory Wagons."

West Louisiana St. McKinney, Texa

SHEPHERD AND CHAPMAN

School Board Meeting Held Friday Evening.

REELECTED TO OLD POSITIONS

As Superintendent and Principal of the McKinney Public Schools.

The School board held an important meeting in Doggett & Clifton's office Friday evening at which Superintendent F. D. Shepherd and Principal R. E. Chapman were re-elected to their respetive positions.

The vote of the trustee election was canvassed and J. L. Doggett, J. S. Dowell and Sam Massie were elected and qualified.

The other teachers will be elected next Friday night.

It was decided to elect a male principal for the Fairfield ward school next year.

The monthly salaries of the different teachers for next term was set as follows: Superintendent $125; principal high school $90; principal ward school $75; lady teachers $50; principal colored school $50; assistant $35.

G. R. HOWELL ARRESTED.

Bound Over to County Court. Case of Jim Andrews.

The examining trial of George R. Howell, charged with unlawfully selling whiskey in a local option district, which was on trial before city recorder Bowlby last Thursday evening, resulted in the accused's being bound over to county court in the sum of $300. The suit grew out of the Dr. Long prescription case tried in the Justice's court the day before. The prescription written by Dr. Long and on which Mr. Howell sold the quart of whiskey to Doc Turner was produced in the Recorder's court.

An important case was disposed of in City Recorder Hunt Bowlbys court last Friday, It was the case of Jim T. Andrews, charging him with causing intoxicating liquors to be sold to minors in this city, by a firm in the city of Sherman, to which charge he plead guilty and paid a fine and costs of $38.10. For the non prosecution of another offense he agreed that he would close up and lock his saloon located on the southeast corner of the public square, and that he wauld never so long as prohibition existed in the city of McKinney or Collin county, set up such another business, nor violate the prohibition law in any way, nor be concerned in a violation of such law. The other offense charged has not been dismissed but is held in abeyance during the faithful observance of the above agreement by Mr. Andrews, which every one knowing him believes he will faithfully keep.

J. N. Howell, selling whiskey on Sunday, plea of guilty, total fine and costs $42.05.

Allen Mantooth, plea of guilty to carrying pistol, fine $25.00 and costs.

Will Lynn, gaming, plea of guilty, fine $10 and costs.

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Dentist.

OFFICE—Over Wallace's Drug Stor

McKINNEY, TEXAS.

J. C. N. SMITH,
Dentist.

OFFICE—Northeast corner of t Square,

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Attorney-at-Law

Notary Public—Writing Deeds, Mortgages and all kinds legal instruments a specialty.
Office over Largent Bros.,

McKINNEY, - - - TEXAS

CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, First Reader Miss Sallie Andrews.
Services 11 a. m.; Sunday School 12 m.; Wednesday 8 p. m.
East Virginia St., first stairway west of post office, McKinney, Texas

THE FACTS IN THE CASE.

When you read a thing you like to feel that it's the truth. THE DALLAS SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS gives the facts in the case.

SPECIALLY EDITED.

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COLLIN COUNTY FINANCES

Condition of Money Matters as Sworn to by Proper Officials.

AN OEFICIAL STATEMENT

Quarterly Statement by Judge Faulkner and Three County Commissioners.

Affidavit to commissioners' court to county funds.

Before me the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared J. H. Faulkner, county judge; J. T. Howard, W. N. Osburn and H. R. Chaddick, three county commissioners of Collin county, Texas, who on their oaths state that on the 16th day of May. 1902. they actually counted the money belonging to Collin county. Texas, as per quarterly report of D. E. Neatherv, county treasurer, at this term of the court and find the following funds to be as follows, to-wit:

Jury fund, first class, overdrawn three thousand three hundred and sixty nine dollars and 53-100 ($3,369.53).

Road and bridge fund, second class, cash on hands, one thousrnd eight hundred and eightv-six and 54-100 (1,886 54) dollars.

General county fund, third class, cash on hands. eleven thousand one hundred and sixty seven and 77-100 (11,167.77) dollars.

Court house funds, 4th class, cash on hands one hundred and nineteen and 55-100 ($119.55) dollars.

Permanent school fund, 5th class, cash on hands, thirty-three and 17-100 ($33.17) dollars.

Available school fund, 6th class cash on hands, four thousand two hundred and seventy-nine and 51-100 (4,279.51) dollars.

All of which is respectfully submitted this 16th day of May, A. D. 1902. J. H. Faulkner, County Judge.

J. T. Howard, Com. Prec. 2.
W. N. Olburn, Com. Prec. 3.
H. R. Chaddick, Com. Prec. 4

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 16th day of May 1902. J. P. Moulden, Co. Clerk.
By B. C. Moulden, Deputy.

Land Revolution.

By a recent decision of the supreme court it seems that land matters and titles are destined to become settled in all parts of West Texas. By this decision it appears from the brief we have that all lands purchased from under leases by those who were not original lessees, or that were taken up before the expiration of the term of the lease, were illegally purchased, and are therefore upon the market subject to sale. The news of the decision created consternation among those holding lands in this section, and among those who were hunting land as well. Probably two hundred applications to purchase lands have been filed in this county during the last two days and the rush still continues. If this interpretation of the decision is correct, the effect of this decision will be far reaching, and will revolutionize the land situation in West Texas. Much excitement prevails, and the end is not in sight.—Big Springs Enterprise.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know it.

How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of **Swamp-Root** is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and $1. sizes.

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Home of Swamp-Root.

DR. E. E. KING RETURNS

Arrived Home Wednesday From Ashville, N. C. After Attnding

THE SOUTHERN CONVENTION

Of Baptists—Great Progress In Education and Miss Work By a Great Denomination.

Dr. E. E. King, pastor of the First Baptist church, arrived home Wednesday from Ashville, N. C., where he went as a messenger to the Southern Baptist Covention which met there. The Courier obtained the following observations from Dr. King on his trip and the convention, which we are sure will be read with interest:

Ashville is a beautiful city of 15000 people, built on the mountains over-looking the sparkling waters of the French-Broad and Swananoa rivers. On neighboring mountains, clinging to their rugged sides and steaching away into their charming valleys embracing leagues of land, is the magnificent estate of George Vanderbilt. His superb mansion, Biltmore, crowns one of the mountain hights at a cost of $7,000,000. It is girt about with beautiful driveways and walks, amid flowers from every clime, of every hue, of sweetest aroma, rich, rare and radient and that are sprinkled with silvery spray from unique fountains; and still on the highways lead by tennis lawns, bowling greens, cricket parks, golf fields, by lakes set with emeral isles about which white swan were floating, and on by green pastures, Jersey herds, massive barns and dairy houses, sheep folds, swine farms, and deer parks and lovely homes for favored tenants.

The Southern Baptist Convention met in the spacious auditorium with a seating capacity of 3000 and was yet too small to admit the many that came to attend the meeting. There were in attendance on the convention 3000 messengers and visitors besides a large local attendance. Ex-Gov. J. P. Eagle of Arkansas, a college mate of your reporter, was elected president and presided with grace and dignity, and dispatched the business of the great convention. The reports to the convention were all cheering. The membership in the Baptist churches of the world is 5,008,960 and in our southern states 3,251,-102. The number of churches connected with this convention is 19,558; the value of their property is $20,025,344, their contributions last year to all objects $3,456,013; and they have 10,115 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 670,569. They baptized into the fellowship of their churches in America last year 207,556. The white Baptists of the South own and conduct more than 20 important Colleges and among these is the largest Theological school on the continent. They gave for educational purposes last year more than $1,000,000. The contributions last year for Home Missions in the southern states, not including state and county local work, was $129,550.83; and to foreign Missions $173,849.51. Of this Texas gave to Home Missions $15,418,-69 the largest contributor, and to foreign missions $18,613.44 the fourth on the list of states contributing. "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

The convention goes next year to Savana Georgia.

Mr. Bryan at Home.

From the Commoner.

The readers of The Commoner will pardon me if I refer to a event of more than ordinary importance to the Bryan family, namely, the removal to Fairview, on March 19. That name has been chosen for our suburban home, because an agricultural landscape of unsurpassed beauty stretches out from the knoll on which the house is being built. The new barn, which we are temporarily occupying, is a commodious brick structure, with slate roof and cement floor, and Mrs. Bryan has made it so comfortable and home-like that we shall not be impatient for the completion of the permanent residence. Here at Fairview we expect to spend the remainder of our days except such time as may be devoted to travel. Here the children can find fresh air and healthy exercise; here I can indulge my taste for farming; here, too, the friends who are passing this midway point between the oceans can find a welcome and a word of cheer.

My editorial work will be done here, but the business office of the Commoner will remain in Lincoln.

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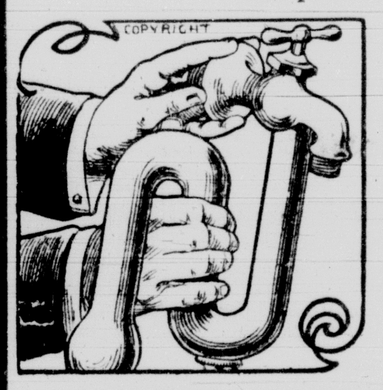

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BOOT-LEGGING WHISKEY

Marshal Burks and Night Policeman Stiff Make an Arrest.

NEGRO JAILED ON CHARGE

His Name is Gene Duncan—Waived Examining Trial in City Court.

Gene Duncan, a negro, was arrested Friday night by Marshal Sam Burks and Night Policeman Wallace Stiff on a charge of selling whiskey in a local option district by peddling some out to parties. Two cases are charged against the negro who waived his examining trial before Recorder Hunt Bowlby yesterday morning. His bond was set at $750 in each case which he failed to make and was sent to jail. City Attorney Will Abernathy thinks he has good cases against the prisoner.

Collin County Shaving Parlor

This handsome tonsorial emporium has just been fitted up by Richardson & Lewis one door west of Stiff Dry Goods Co. on north side of the square. They have commodious apartments and bath service complete. Give them a call.

Conseqences.

In a country town, many years ago, some children met for a social evening at an old farmhouse, and while the sport was at its height, a little boy thought it would be "funny" to draw a chair out from under a little girl, and let her sit down on the floor.

He watched his opportunity, and made the attempt, but the little girl, seeing what he was doing, jumped back into the chair, and, striking her spine upon one of its projections, broke her back. For seven years, from fourteen to twenty-one, she lay upon her bed, and during all that time was carried from her chamber to the parlor but once. Thirty years have paased; I have just returned from a visit to her sick chamber. Thirty years of disability and pain as the consequences of a thoughtless deed by a little boy. A few strangers minister to her daily wants, without whose aid she would be sent to the poorhouse or home for the wretched and homeless poor. Terrible consequences to follow a thoughtless act. Let boys be careful. Let all remember that consequences walk hand in hand in with every deed, and that for all our deeds God will bring us into judgment.—Christian Era.

A DEATH AT ROCKWALL

Mrs. Lee Faires Passed Away Friday Night In That City.

BURIAL IN M'KINNEY TODAY

Funeral to Take Place This Morning From Residence of D. Goodin.

Mrs Lee Faires, aged about 60 years, died at her home in Rockwall Friday night and will be buried at 10 o'clock this morning in Pecan Grove Cemetery in this city. The funeral will take place from the residence of D. Goodin, an old friend of the family.

The deceased was reared in McKinney where she resided until a few years ago when she moved with her husband to Rockwall. Her maiden name was Fannie McReynolds. She was a granddaughter of Mrs. Mary Standifer, grantee from the government of a large body of land now partly embraced in Short's addition to the city of McKinney. Besides her husband, who is a brother of uncle Jack Faires of this city, the deceased leaves three grown children to mourn her demise. Tom and Miss Gracie, who are single and at home, and Ollie Faires who married a daughter of Henry Brantley of this city. The Courier tenders sympathy to the bereaved husband and children.—The Courier.

These Must Go.

A trade magazine gives a list of the boys who are the first to lose their situations in any well ordered house. Here are a few of them:

The exquisite young man who parts his hair in the middle, and is shocked at the idea of soiling his hands by a little honest work.

The luxurious youth, who has twenty dollar a week tastes and habits; and a ten dollar-a-week salary.

The young man who hasn't sense enough to do anything unless he is ordered to do it, and the young man who is always doing things contrary to orders.

The remarkable youth, who invariably knows what a customer wants better than he does himself.

The young man who is ignorant of the use of soap and water, and hair brush and comb, and other toilet requisities, and the young man who is so wrapped up in the use of these that he has thought for little else.

The young man who wears flashy jewelry, exhales an odor of musk, wears wide stripes, daring cravats, violent checks, and is generally "horsey."

To this may be added: The young man whose lusterless eyes and soiled fingers proclaim him a cigarette smoker.—School Index.

The Ldy and the Snow Birds.

A certain good lady who lives on the bill in the southwestern part of town, and whose husband keeps a grocery store less than a mile from the postoffice, has spent more time in the study of doxology than ornithology. She sent in a hurry call by telephone down to the store Tuesday for the head clerk to bring the gun home and kill a whole flock of partridges, the yard being covered with them, she said. The clerk, who is a true sportsman and marksman, seized his trusty quailing piece and hurried to the house. Drawing near the yard he dropped on his hands and knees and made a sneak through the snow up to the fence, his gun cocked and his heart palpitating like a turbine wheel. A watchful "birdie" saw him and gave the alarm—up flew a hundred snow birds shaking the snow from their dainty feet and making right merry in the air. The man-be-hind-the-gun refused to shoot. The lady who was getting ready for a partridge pie, shouted. "Shoot, shoot—you can't kill a quail by looking at him like a loony!"—Clarksville Times.

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Prof. B. B. Edmiston of the Trio Music Co. of Waco, Tex., accompanied by V. D. Elder of Culleoka, paid our office a pleasant visit yesterday.

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Of pain is generally the first warning of an attack of rheumatism. It feels as if the disease were in the bones or muscles, but the real cause of rheumatism is found in impure blood. In order to cure rheumatism the blood must be cleansed of the poisonous impurities which are the cause of the disease.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cleanse the bowels and stimulate the sluggish liver.

ACCEPTED POSITION AT BAYLOR

Miss Emma King Accepts Position On Faculty of One of the South's Most Noted Schools for Girls at Belton.

Miss Emma King, the accomplished daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. E. King, has accepted a position as a member of her Alma Mater Baylor College, Belton, Tex. This school is one of the leading educational institutions of the South for girls and has an attendance of 400. Miss King is a gifted teacher who has been teaching in Hawthorne College for several years. Belton College is to be congratulated on securing her acceptance of the position which she has had under advisement for several weeks.

THE CITY FEDERATION

A Splendid Session of Woman's Clubs Held in Y. M. C. A. Parlors—Music and Refreshments. Election of Officers.

The City Federation of clubs met yesterday in the Y. M. C. A. parlors with a large attendance of members and visitors present. Mrs. Dr. Burton made a splendid address. Several numbers of the program were rendered and were very entertaining. Refreshments were served and much profit and pleasure resulted. The officers elected were as follows:

Miss Minnie Merritt, Pres.; Mrs. W. C. Jones, 1st vice Pres.; Mrs. W. E. Dilto, 2nd vice Pres.; Mrs. Howell Smith, 3rd vice Pres.; Miss Sarah Webb, recording Sec.; Mrs. Frank Emerson, Cor. Sec.; Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy, treasurer.—Courier.

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Rev. B. F. Lockhart of Allen, Texas, was in the city today en route to Sanger, Denton county. Rev. Lockhart reports crop prospects fine in Collin county.—Sherman Register.

W. A. Holder went to Melissa Thursday in response to a telegram stating that his mother, Mrs. I. A. Holder is seriously sick at that place.

J. L. D. Thomas of Foote was a pleasant caller at our office Saturday afternoon.

TEN PLEAS OF GUILTY

That Was the Number Received by Judge Faulkner Yesterday.

CO. COURT'S BUSY VACATION

One for Selling Whisky on Sunday. Regular Term of Court Convenes Tomorrow.

County court convenes in regular session tomorrow morning. The vacation just ended was by far the "busiest" ever known in the judicial annals of the county. Pleas of guilty have been of almost daily occurrence. Yesterday was no exception to this rule. Ten pleas of guilty were received by Judge Faulkner as follows:

State vs Alfred Maples, gaming, plea of guilty, total fines and costs $36.05.

State vs Sam John, gaming, plea guilty, total fine and costs $39.05.

State vs Tom Hammond, gaming, plea guilty, total fine and costs $38.25.

State vs Price Ray, selling whisky on Sunday, plea guilty, total fine and costs $42.05.

State vs Gus Taylor, gaming, plea of guilty, total fine and costs $38.25.

State vs Clay Martin, gaming, plea of guilty, total fine and costs $38.25.

State vs De Gray, discharging cannon cracker in public place, plea of guilty, total fine and costs $23.75.

State vs Charles Whitehead, discharging cannon cracker in public place, plea of guilty, total fine and costs $23.75.

State vs Henry Alexander, gaming, plea of guilty, total fine and costs, $36.05.

State vs Harrison Alexander, gaming, plea of guilty, total fine and costs $36.05.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Howell Ditzler Miss Mollie Pryor.

A. F. McDonald and Miss Ola Hembree.—The Courier.

Traveled in a Sack.

Billed as a sack of potatoes, a young man has arrived in Chicago from Kansas City tied up in a sack For three days and a half he had been confined in a sack and during that time he had traveled close to 700 miles on a freight car. The sack which covered him was inclosed in an open fruit case.

He began his journey with only a quart of water and two pounds of crackers in the sack with him, this being a condition of the wager of $300 which caused him to make the perilous trip. When released Klansdigger was nearly blinded by the dust which had crept into the sack and his throat and mouth were so parched that he could hardly speak, his little cask of water having been spilled after he had been on his journey only a day.

For nearly three days he had been without water and he stated when he was able to talk that had it not rained Wednesday he would certainly have died of thirst. During most of the storm the car in which he was packed was sidetracked out in some small country town and the water came through a crack in the roof and fell on the sack. The burlap became quite wet and he was thus able to suck from the cloth a few drops, which allayed his thirst.

The Kansas City Journal indignantly refutes a charge that religion and metaphysical studies have altogether displaced utilitarian branches at Baker University in Kansas. It points out that the leading literary society of the Institution debates the other day the following important proposition: "Resolved, that a half-grown Langshang rooster can roost better on a smooth pine roost than on a square rough roost"

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E. W. Odle was here from Gunter yesterday and informed us that owing to so much rain crops in that section are getting into weeds.

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THE LOST TITLE

By GEROME CHAMBERS.

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This story was suggested by the picture of Christ's head, after the legend of St. Veronica, painted by Gabriel Max.

It was an old house, and lonely. The Thief shivered and drew nearer the fire. He had never before realized how oppressive silence could become. Clearly his nerves were not in the best of order. Now he paced the floor restlessly, his head sunken upon his breast. He noticed that his shadow followed him, huge and black; and he sat down again in the chair.

If he had ever dreamed that the possession of this house, and its comforts, would have changed him from a careless, comparatively contented man, to a careworn, restless, unhappy wretch, he told himself, he would sooner have cut off his right hand than to have secured it as he did. But then, he thought, it was too late now for vain regrettings. The deed was done, and he must suffer the consequences.

His was not a strong character. He loved ease, his bodily comforts and mental dissipations. He had always wished to live comfortably, without any exertion of his own body or mind. But back in his selfish soul, hidden among the baser traits, was a slowly awakening conscience.

As he sat here in his arm chair he seemed to be struggling along a country road against a storm; though he heard the crackling of flames, what he seemed to hear was the suck and splash of flying hoofs; though he looked at red brick and a dying fire, he saw, as in a dream, a rider loom out of the darkness; saw him lean over and strike the horse and, as he dashed on into the night, a fluttering white something that fell from his pocket into the mud. Then the Thief saw himself pick it up. It was a folded document, bearing a seal; he took it to his little room and opened it with trembling fingers. It was his sister's will. There was an inner seal, but this, like the outer one, was not sealed nor stamped. Wax had merely been dropped on each side of the fold, and left to harden. When it was necessary to seal it the wax would be reheated, and the edges drawn together and stamped. She had always fixed her letters that way.

He hastened to read it, casting his eyes at once to the bottom. It had not been witnessed, though her signature was there. But as he looked rapidly over the paper, his heart sank again. There, down at the very edge, were two names faintly written, and evidently signed in great haste. He knew the witnesses and felt sure that they had not read the contents.

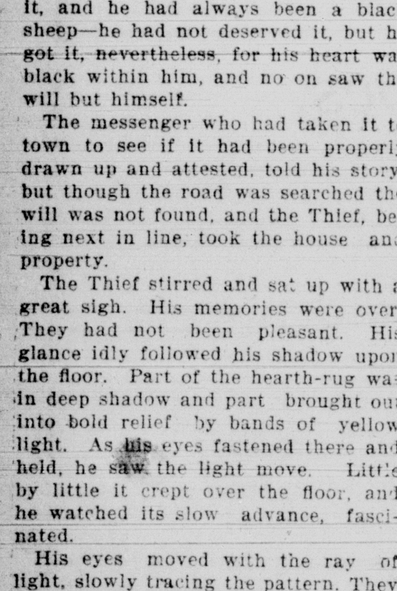
No matter, oral testimony alone could not take the property away from him. Everything was left to her cousins, her only other relatives. Well, it was right perhaps, for there were five children, and they needed it, and he had always been a black sheep—he had not deserved it, but he got it, nevertheless, for his heart was black within him, and no one saw the will but himself.

The messenger who had taken it to town to see if it had been properly drawn up and attested, told his story, but though the road was searched the will was not found, and the Thief, being next in line, took the house and property.

The Thief stirred and sat up with a great sigh. His memories were over. They had not been pleasant. His glance idly followed his shadow upon the floor. Part of the hearth-rug was in deep shadow and part brought out into bold relief by bands of yellow light. As his eyes fastened there and held, he saw the light move. Little by little it crept over the floor, and he watched its slow advance, fascinated.

His eyes moved with the ray of light, slowly tracing the pattern. They halted unfamiliarly on the frame of a picture and then passed on.

The moon had passed out from behind the clouds. There before him, on the wall, hung the head of Christ. His dull heart beat faster as he gazed at the heavy brown locks, the fair white brow, and the traces of a tender mouth, almost hidden by the curling beard. The eyes were closed. He felt that he had never seen the picture before.



He sat down again in the chair.

God! The large lids opened and great glorious, burning black eyes looked into his and through them, into his soul. They searched him, the wistful, reproachful gaze finding his very heart. His breath came hard, his ring cut into his finger—but he did not know it. He was not aware that the fire was out, that the room was dark, save for the moonbeams—that it was cold, and that he sat there gripping his chair, totally unconscious of all but those eyes, and that look!

For the first time in his mistaken life he was compelled to think, with a perfect conception of his faults and crimes. He was dragged out of himself, his soul was turned inside out. The stress was more than mortal could bear. Staggering from his chair, he stood with outstretched arms, half in, half out of the moonlight.

He dragged a table into the moonlight and wrote.

"Oh, God," he gasped "what have I done?"

The eyes still burned into his soul—awfully, insistently.

As he stood there, racked in mind and soul, it seemed to him that his deeds passed before him in review.

He saw how the Beast of Greed had broken down the barriers of virtue, how it had secured him with chains, link by link, until now he was bound hand and foot; he saw with his soul's eye the image of the Beast gloating over him, yes, even fattening on his heart's blood. Should he break the chain? Then, with a diabolical swiftness and a seeming knowing skill of their own, other thoughts filled his mind. He thought of the ease he could enjoy, the open house he could keep, the elegant furnishings, the fine dinners, the sense of ease and elegance he would have, and of a beautiful woman who, perhaps, would some day sit at his side, before this very fire with him.

As these thoughts filled his brain his heart was tortured and wrenched by the sight of those eyes, which now, after a momentary dulling of their keenness, seemed to burn into his soul, until they seemed to grow and come nearer, to scorch him with their scorn. Frenzied, he stood for a moment, swaying a little, his hands clasping and unclasping. His mouth curved down, and deep lines furrowed the corners, as, in a half choked, hissing tone that seemed to come from the deepest cell in his lungs, he gasped: "Ah! You would tempt me! Those hell-born thoughts which seem to steal my very soul, came from you, Beast."

Then he turned and dragged a table into the moonlight, and with shaking fingers wrote:

Arthur D. Motley, Attorney: Sir—The missing will is found. The Stones have all. Come to me for Christ's sake. HARLAND.

He sealed it hastily and directed it. Then stealthily, fearfully, he twisted his head back without moving his body. Slowly, forced on by his will, his eyes turned until—ah!

He fell back in his chair trembling, a great wave of revulsion sweeping over him. The eyes were closed.

Wireless Telegraphy on an Auto.

In speaking of his experiments with wireless telegraphy on an automobile, Sig. Marconi said they were begun with the idea of discovering to what extent the system might be used on the motor car as a war machine. He had a heavy automobile and a motor bicycle and while in England he frequently conversed from his automobile with the home station while traveling along the road, once while fleeing from a policeman and once after meeting with an accident. On the latter occasion he asked to have his dinner kept hot. Thus far he has not been able to communicate at a greater distance than thirty miles. His motor bicycle is not equipped with the wireless mechanism, because such an apparatus would be too cumbersome on the lighter vehicle.—New Centaur.

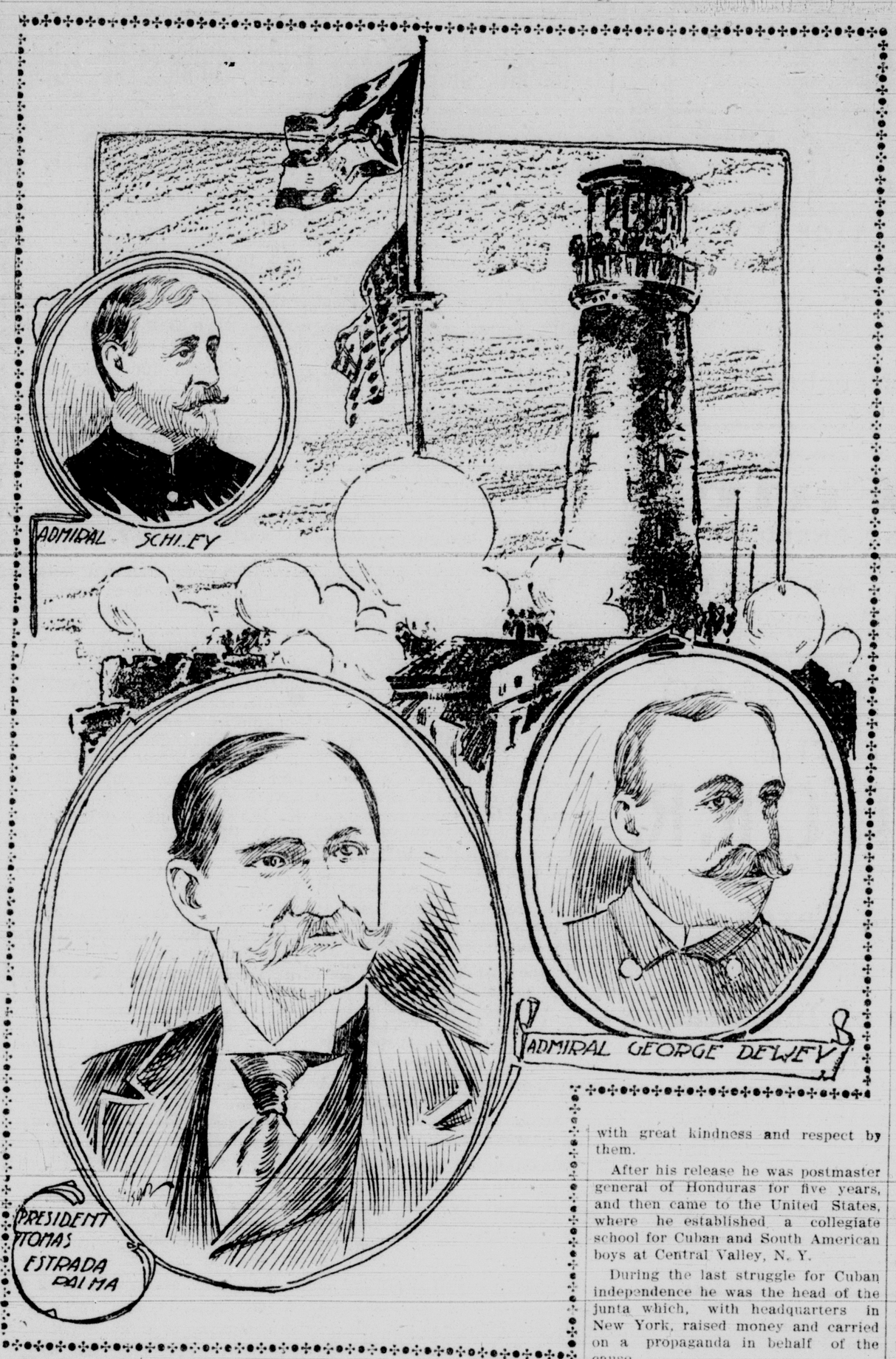
Smallest of Microbes.

The smallest microbe yet known is said to have been discovered by O. Voges of Buenos Ayres. It is much less than the influenza bacillus, and only just discernible when magnified about 1,500 times.

The work of the smallest bacterium in this troubled world is to produce deadly abscesses. Known in South America as manguea, in cattle, with this special characteristic—the hotter the climate the more fatal the infection.

A further peculiarity is that if the abscess is opened in its early stages the disease is arrested and the animal saved. Minuteness of the germs of disease is no particular advantage to the victims; the influenza microbe makes up for its diminutiveness by overwhelming numbers.

Republic of Cuba Takes Her Place Among Nations



The first President of the new republic and two men who made her a free nation.

The natal day of the republic of Cuba, May 20, found Havana arrayed like a queen to await the coming of her lord. She seemed reinvested for the occasion with the dignity of the prosperous days of her power and wealth.

At noon Senor Palma attached his signature to a document as president of the Cuban republic, after an exchange of congratulations, and the veteran Gen. Gomez ascended to the roof of the palace, where he was accorded a great reception. Gen. Wood personally lowered the American colors, which were saluted, and with his own hands hoisted the Cuban flag, as an act of the United States, Gomez assisting.

Gen. Wood and his staff and the American troops embarked immediately after the hoisting of the Cuban flag and the American ships steamed out of the harbor.

At the time the transfer took place in Havana, Gen. Whiteside at Santiago, turned over his authority to his Cuban successor and sailed away with the American cavalry which had been in garrison there.

Tomas Estrada Palma, the first president of the Republic of Cuba, is a little old man. He wears rusty black clothes. He moves nervously and quickly, winking his blue eyes as he talks. He is lavishly polite, after the manner of the old Spanish school. His chin is more than strong and aggressive, being what country people call jumper-jawed, which means that his chin betrays strength and aggression raised to the highest power.

The president-elect of the republic of Cuba will be 67 years old on the ninth day of July. He was born at Bayamo, in the province of Santiago. His mother tried to keep him out of the revolutionary movements which were brewing in the island during his youth. She even went so far as to restrict him to the boundaries of the Associates she knew he must have, but his boy friends had to come to see him; he was not allowed to visit them. The father had died when Tomas was very young. When he was 15 years old he broke from his mother's leading strings and went to Havana to study. Soon after that the death of his mother left him in sole control of a great estate. He went back to Bayamo to manage it.

By this time rebellion had broken out actively and Palma cast his lot with the island party. Years of agitation and organization followed, in which Palma bore an active and prominent part.

In 1868, when open war began, he was one of the leaders in the newly-formed legislative body. His home town was the first upon which the Spanish troops descended. The patriots, loving it devotedly as they did, for it was an old and pleasant city of homes, burned it to the ground, so that the oncoming regiments should find neither food nor shelter there.

During the guerrilla campaigning of the Ten Years' War Palma was elected president of a republic organized by the troops. In 1877 he was captured by the Spaniards, imprisoned for a short time in Havana, and later taken to Spain, where he was confined in an old castle for over a year.

He takes care to give the Spaniards their due, and says he was treated with great kindness and respect by them.

After his release he was postmaster general of Honduras for five years, and then came to the United States, where he established a collegiate school for Cuban and South American boys at Central Valley, N. Y.

During the last struggle for Cuban independence he was the head of the junta which, with headquarters in New York, raised money and carried on a propaganda in behalf of the cause.

He says that his first work as president will be toward extending a free school system throughout the island and he insists that there shall be neither ostentation nor formality in his conduct of affairs.

Gen. Palma's Filial Devotion.

Thirty years ago Gen. Palma, now president of Cuba, hastily buried his mother, a victim of Spanish cruelty, in an obscure cemetery in Bayamo, with a wooden cross to mark the spot. Recently with all tokens of respect and love, he and his friends disinterred the remains, placed them in a stately tomb bearing a tablet with this inscription: "Candelaria Palma, whose beloved son Thomas has returned after thirty years and given her a Christian burial."

April Full Moon Favors Peaches.

It is said that the Georgia peach growers consider the full of the moon in April the date on which the fate of the season's crop has been decided. If there has been no bud-killing frost by that time they feel safe.

CHRONOLOGY OF CUBA LIBRE

1898.

Battleship Maine blown up in the harbor of Havana, while there on a friendly visit. Feb. 15.

Message sent by President McKinley to congress in regard to blowing up of the Maine. April 11.

Congress passed resolutions recognizing independence of Cuba and demanding that Spain relinquish her authority. April 20.

President issued call for 125,000 volunteers. April 23.

Congress passed resolutions declaring that a state of war existed. April 25.

Dewey destroyed the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Manila. May 1.

Sampson bombarded the fortifications at San Juan. May 12.

Schley sailed with the flying squadron from Key West. May 13.

Schley arrived at Santiago de Cuba. May 22.

Army sailed from Key West for Cuba. June 15.

Landing and battle at Las Guasimas. June 20.

Victory of El Caney and San Juan hill. July 1-2.

ments. July 3.

Battle of Santiago. July 3.

Shafter demands surrender of Santiago. July 3.

Truce declared. July 12.

Articles of capitulation at Santiago approved. July 16.

Surrender of Santiago. July 17.

Peace protocol. Aug. 12.

Peace commissioners sent to Paris. Oct. 1.

Evacuation of Puerto Principe and other provinces. Dec. 5.

Provisional government proclaimed by Gen. Wood. Oct. 21.

Treaty of Paris signed. Dec. 10, 8:45 p. m.

Gen. Garcia died in Washington. Dec. 11.

Spanish control of Cuba finally relinquished. Last troops left Havana; Tenth infantry, U. S. A., took up quarters in city. Dec. 31.

1899.

Provisional government by the United States; work of cleaning, renovating and restoring order.

1900.

Ditto, and taking census, preparatory to holding elections.

1901.

Cuban constitutional convention assembled, January. Congress passed Platt resolutions providing for American suzerainty. March 2. Cuban constitutional convention accepted Platt resolutions. June 12. Cuban law promulgated by Gov.-Gen. Wood and elections held. Dec. 31.

1902.

Delegates elected at popular elections met and chose Gen. Estrada Palma as first president of the republic of Cuba. Feb. 24.

President began preparation for formally turning over government to Cubans. March 24.

American troops gradually withdrawn. March 24—May 19.

over island. May 10-20.

Final transfer of government to Cubans. May 20.

THE PROMISE.

"The United States hereby disclaims any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction, or control over said island, except for the pacification thereof, and asserts its determination, when this is accomplished, to leave the government and control of the island to its people."—Section III., resolutions passed by congress April 20, 1898.

Four years and twenty-two days later the promise is fulfilled.

SENTIMENT RULES IN THE SOUTH

Incident Which Shows Love of People for Their Lost Cause.

"I was in New Orleans the other day," said a young Detroiter who has made such a success in life that much of his time is at his own disposal, "and while roaming about the city came upon the shop of an old collector of curios, himself about as quaint and interesting an object as any that his establishment contained. He took the greatest delight in showing me his treasures—bits of rare old furniture, valuable pictures and other things dear to the heart—and purse—of the lover of the antiquities. After displaying scores of the most tempting objects, he took from a safe a little box that he handled with the utmost gentleness, and, opening it carefully, he permitted me to gaze upon a pair of old-fashioned earrings that to my eyes possessed little value. The gold in them could not have been worth more than $3 or $4, and I'm sure the stones did not represent a much larger value. Before I could express my want of appreciation of the ornaments he exclaimed:

"'I gave a fine sum of money for those the other day.'

"'Why, may I ask?' was my reply. 'They don't appear valuable to me.'

"'No, they're not—in dollars and cents.' But their sentimental value to me is almost priceless. They were brought in only last week by a lady who gave me satisfactory proof that they had belonged to the first wife of Jefferson Davis, had, indeed, been given to her by her father, Zachary Taylor, as a wedding present, after he forgave her for eloping with the dashing young soldier who was destined to cut such a figure in American history in later years. The lady from whom I bought them is a relative of the family, and you may be sure that only the most pressing necessity induced her to part with them; and, while I deeply regret her predicament, I cannot help rejoicing that I should be the fortunate purchaser.'

"And this," added the Detroiter, "is only a trifling evidence of the love and reverence the people of the South still feel for everything connected with the leader of the lost cause."—Detroit Free Press.

HOW HE SECURED AN UMBRELLA

No One Knows Who Owned It, But It Is Good Enough to Keep.

A Grand avenue merchant entered his store the other day with an umbrella in his hand and, sitting down on the nearest stool, burst into a roar of laughter. In response to queries as to the character of the joke, the merchant said, after a few minutes of hilarity:

"Well, you know, when I started out in the rain I had no umbrella. I worried along the avenue and across the pontoon, debating whether I shouldn't invest, but was deterred by the thought that I already have three umbrellas kicking around somewhere.

"When I got over on East Water street I spied a man I presumed to be Dick Wilson. I don't believe you know Dick, but he is an old friend of mine. The man I thought to be Dick Wilson was carrying a fine silk umbrella. It's mine, now," he added fondly, as he gazed on the work of art he held in his hand.

"As soon as I saw the man I presumed to be Dick I was so overjoyed that I rushed on him from the rear and, slapping him hard on the back, exclaimed: 'Look here, old man, give me that umbrella!'

"The man turned and, to my amazement, I discovered that he was not Dick, but some one I had never seen before.

"I was covered with confusion and was about to apologize, when I observed that he was even more confused than I. He hastily closed the umbrella and pressed it into my hand with the remark:

"'I—I beg your pardon; I didn't know it was yours,' and vanished around the corner, leaving me standing with open-mouthed astonishment."

After the outburst of merriment from the assembled clerks had subsided, the merchant said:

"Well, I've got a fine, new umbrella any way, and they say the second thief is the best owner."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Color Affects Dew.

There are conditions in which color materially affects the formation of dew, as may be shown by a simple experiment. Place three pieces of board—one white, another green and another black—so that they may have the sun on them all day, and then leave them exposed to the air all night.

If all the conditions are normal it will be found in the morning that there is a good deal of dew on the white board, much less on the green board, and still less on the black board; indeed, there may be none at all on the latter.

The difference is due to the fact that the three boards absorb the sun's rays unequally, and are, therefore, of different temperatures at the close of the day. The black board absorbs the most heat, the the white board the least.

They all begin to lose their heat as soon as the sun's rays leave them, the white board cooling first, the green board next and the black board last. As soon as they become cool enough to condense the watery vapor of the air in contact with them, dew will begin to form on them, and the most dew will form on the one that cools first.

It may be that the black board will absorb more heat during the day than it can throw off at night; if so, no dew will form on it.

The least said the soonest mended.—Pickwick Papers.